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Wanted

Nominations for Mosquito Control Commissions

The State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board (SRMCB) seeks qualified candidates to fill positions on mosquito control commissions of organized mosquito control district or project due to resignations or expired terms.

The SRMCB is looking for one qualified candidate to serve in each of the below listed mosquito control districts/projects

- 1. Bristol County Mosquito Control District/Project Commission
- 2. Norfolk County Mosquito Control District/Project Commission
- 3. Northeast Mosquito Control and Wetlands Management District Commission
- 4. Plymouth County Mosquito Control District/Project Commission
- 5. Suffolk County Mosquito Control District/Project Commission

We ask that any candidate interested including those members who terms have expired to complete the application found on this website and to submit letters of support that will help the SRMCB to fully evaluate qualifications.

There are nine (9) organized mosquito control projects or districts located throughout Massachusetts. All mosquito control activities of these organized agencies are

performed under the aegis of the SRMCB pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 252 of the Massachusetts General Laws and special legislation (Acts and Resolves) that created the districts or projects.

Each mosquito control project or district operates under the direction of Commissioners.

The Commissioners are appointed by the SRMCB.

The Board of Commissioners for each project or district varies and represents a wide range of expertise. Current Commissioners include but are not limited to individuals serving as public members, medical doctors, police officers, board of health directors, University PhDs, private citizens, mayor's or selectpersons, DPW engineers, former mosquito control project or district superintendents.

The make-up of these Commissions help direct the mosquito control project or district in important financial and operational decisions. The Board of Commissioners hires and oversees the Superintendent or Director to manage the day-to-day operational mosquito management efforts for the project or districts.

Mosquito control projects or districts employ management methods based on Integrated Mosquito Management (IMM). These standard and recognized methods or practices are the result of many years of experience and modern scientific research. By using IMM, the mosquito control projects and districts integrate a variety of available control strategies such as disease surveillance, larval surveys, source reduction, biological control methods, open marsh water management (OMWM), the use of larvicide's, and, when necessary, application of adulticides, into a comprehensive program. Ultimately, the strategies used by the mosquito control projects or districts go a long way in protecting the public health and the environment as well as improve the quality of life for Massachusetts's citizens.

Please send nominations, completed applications, and letter(s) of support to: Mark S. Buffone, Department of Agricultural Resources, Suite 500, 251 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02114-2151.

Deadline for nominations is July 31, 2004.